

REMARKS

Responsive to the Notification of Noncompliant Appeal Brief mailed September 13, 2009, Applicants provide the following. The specification has been amended without adding new matter. Support for these amendments may be found in Related Applications: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/806,646, specification, paragraph 13, 31 and 35; U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/806,832, specification, paragraph 13 and 29; U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/806,876, specification, paragraph 28, 34 and 38; and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/806,767, specification, paragraph 13, 14, 28, 33, 34 and 35, the entirety of which was incorporated by reference in the application as filed.

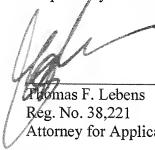
By way of this amendment, Applicants have made a diligent effort to place the claims in condition for allowance. However, should there remain any outstanding issues, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned at (858) 552-1311 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible. In the event that any additional fees become due or payable, the Examiner is authorized to charge USPTO Deposit Account No. 06-1135 accordingly.

CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that the above amendments are presented with the Request for Continued Examination, and do not provide any new matter. Thus Applicant requests that these amendments be entered.

Respectfully submitted,

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